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REMARKS	This is UNEVALUATED Information		

1. On 28 June 1954, 30 aircraft, including 29 MiG-15s and U-MiG-15s, were counted at Altenburg airfield. Twenty-one MiG-15s covered with gray tarpaulins were parked on the taxiway east of the runway, 4 alert aircraft were seen near the northern end of the runway, and 4 MiG-15s were involved in air activity. Throughout the day, the swept-back jet fighters took off in elements of two and made flights of about 35 minutes duration.
2. Seven small landing lights were observed in the northern extension of the runway. At the end of the row of lamps was a radio installation with one mast. East of the northern end of the runway was a radar set, probably a Dumbo-type set, next to a van-like truck. Farther north was a Fishnet-type radar set. About 300 meters northwest of the latter set was a Token-type set, which was in operation at 1635 hours when two MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s landed. A wooden tower with 3 vertical rod antennas was located east of the quartering buildings at the edge of the wood.
3. In early July, there was moderate air activity at the field. Only a few flights were made on rainy days and local flights were observed on the other days. Between 3 and 5 July, high-altitude flights of 15 to 20 minutes duration were once again made, after an interval.
4. An acquaintance of source stated that about 50 MiG-15s and U-MiG-15s had been stationed at the field in early June. There was allegedly very intensive air activity, in particular local flights and high-altitude flights, and many night flights.
1. Comment. The previously voiced assumption that the fighter regiment from Altenburg was transferred to Doeberitz has not been

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continued. [redacted] Instead of the fighter regiment a technical training unit with [redacted] was transferred. This technical training unit had been located in Altenburg since 1950 and, according to available information, probably trained ground personnel on jet aircraft and jet aircraft engines. At present, two fighter regiments are stationed at Altenburg airfield after the transfer of the fighter regiments from Berlin during the first half of May 1954. Aircraft [redacted] in new and [redacted] have previously been reported from Altenburg and Nuremberg.

2. [redacted] However, the two landing beacons and the IFF-45 IF station are known to be located on the island. The radio sets are reported for the first time.

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